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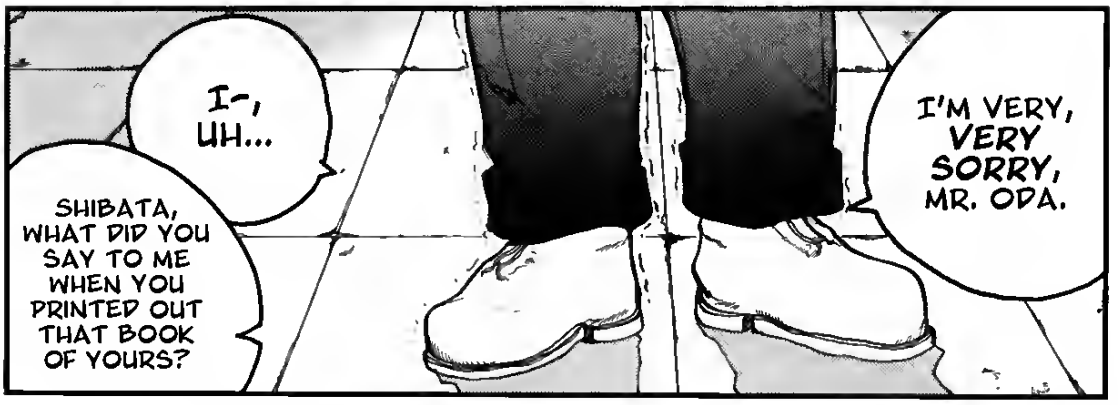

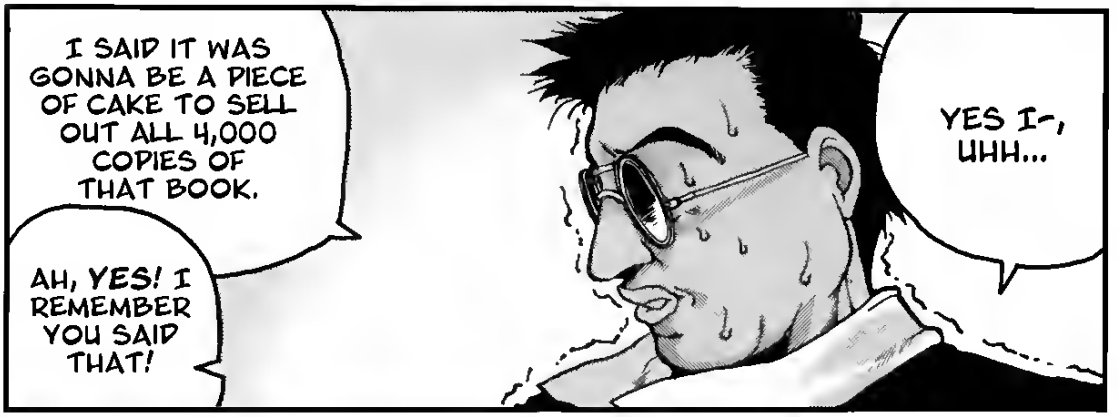

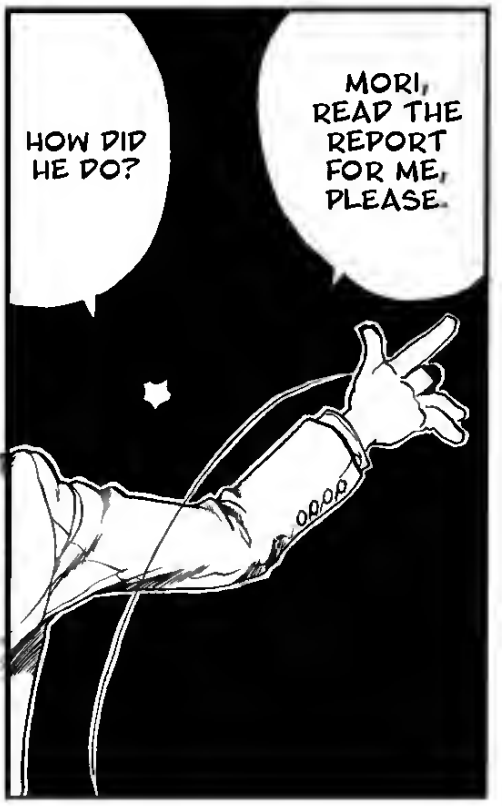

IN FACT, IT SEEMED THAT BY MID-DAY HE HAD ALREADY MANAGED TO SHIFT OUT MORE THAN 2,000 COPIES.
QUEUE AND CROWD MANAGEMENT WERE MARVELOUS, AS USUAL.
..SEEMED TO BE DOING VERY WELL ON SALES.
DURING OPENING HOURS SHIBATA'S CIRCLE, SARASTRO ..
..UPON RETURNING TO HIS OWN CIRCLE, SARASTRO, THE CONDITION CHANGED SUBSTANTIALLY.
HOWEVER, RIGHT AFTER SHIBATA FINISHED HIS MEET AND GREET ROUND..
TELL ME IN FULL DETAILS, SHIBATA, MORI.
WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED THEN?
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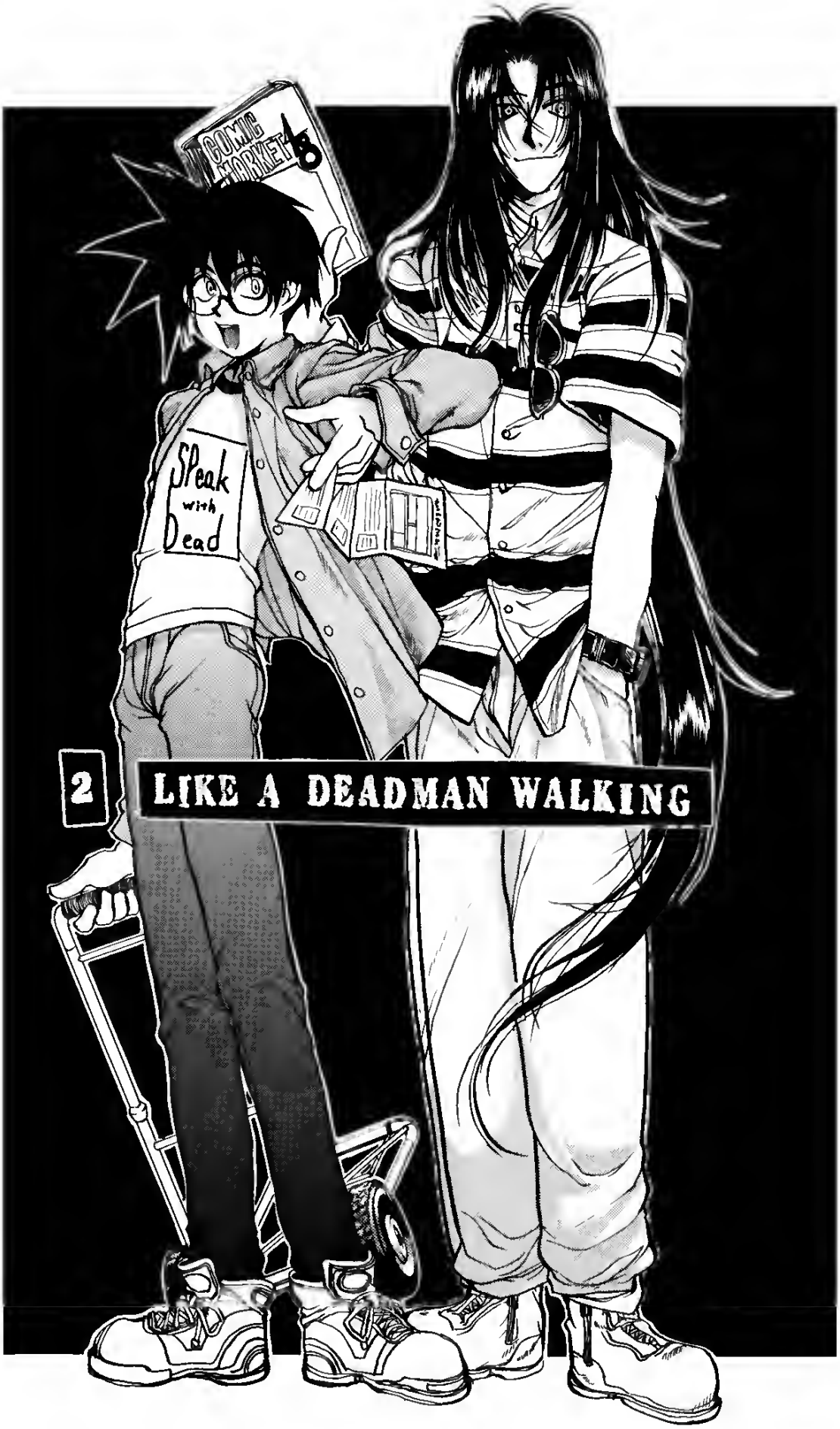
HMMM.



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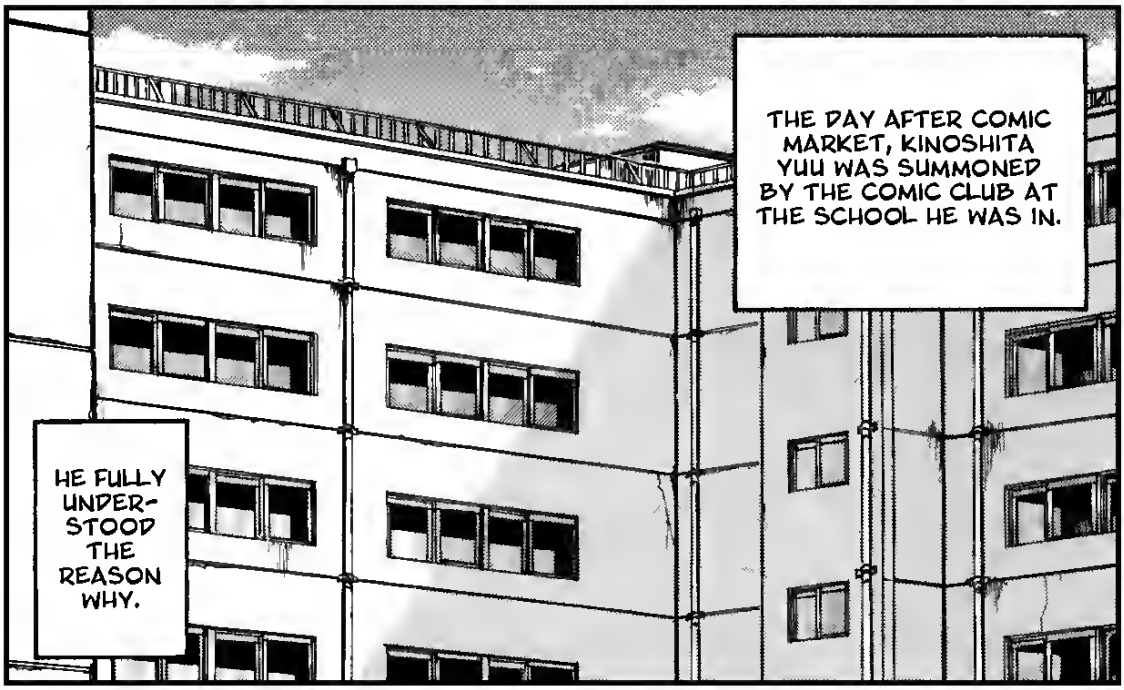
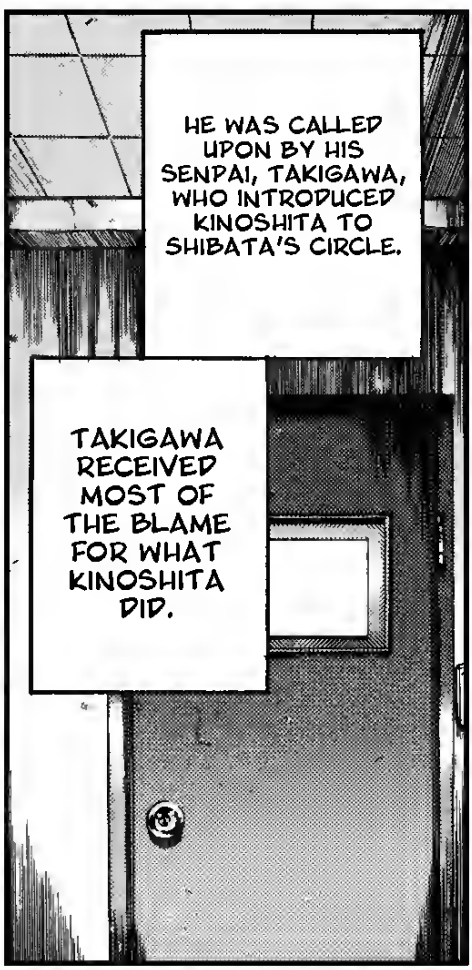

THE DAY AFTER COMIC MARKET, KINOSHITA YUU WAS SUMMONED BY THE COMIC CLUB AT THE SCHOOL HE WAS IN.
HE FULLY UNDER-STOOD THE REASON WHY.

SLAM!
WHAT THE HELL WERE YOU THINKING?! KINOSHITA!!


HE WAS CALLED UPON BY HIS SENPAI, TAKIGAWA, WHO INTRODUCED KINOSHITA TO SHIBATA'S CIRCLE.
TAKIGAWA RECEIVED MOST OF THE BLAME FOR WHAT KINOSHITA DID.

SHIBATA WAS MAD AS HELL!
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT YOU SAID AND DID BACK THERE?!
..OUR CLUB CAN NO LONGER SELL OUR DOUJINSHI UNDER THEIR CIRCLE'S UMBRELLA!
BECAUSE OF YOU..
YOU DUMB SHIT!!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH TROUBLE YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO OUR CLUB?!

BLAM
I... I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG!
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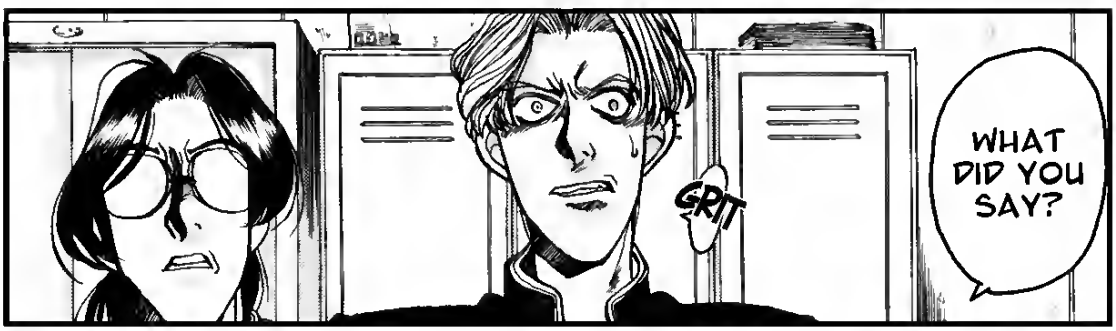
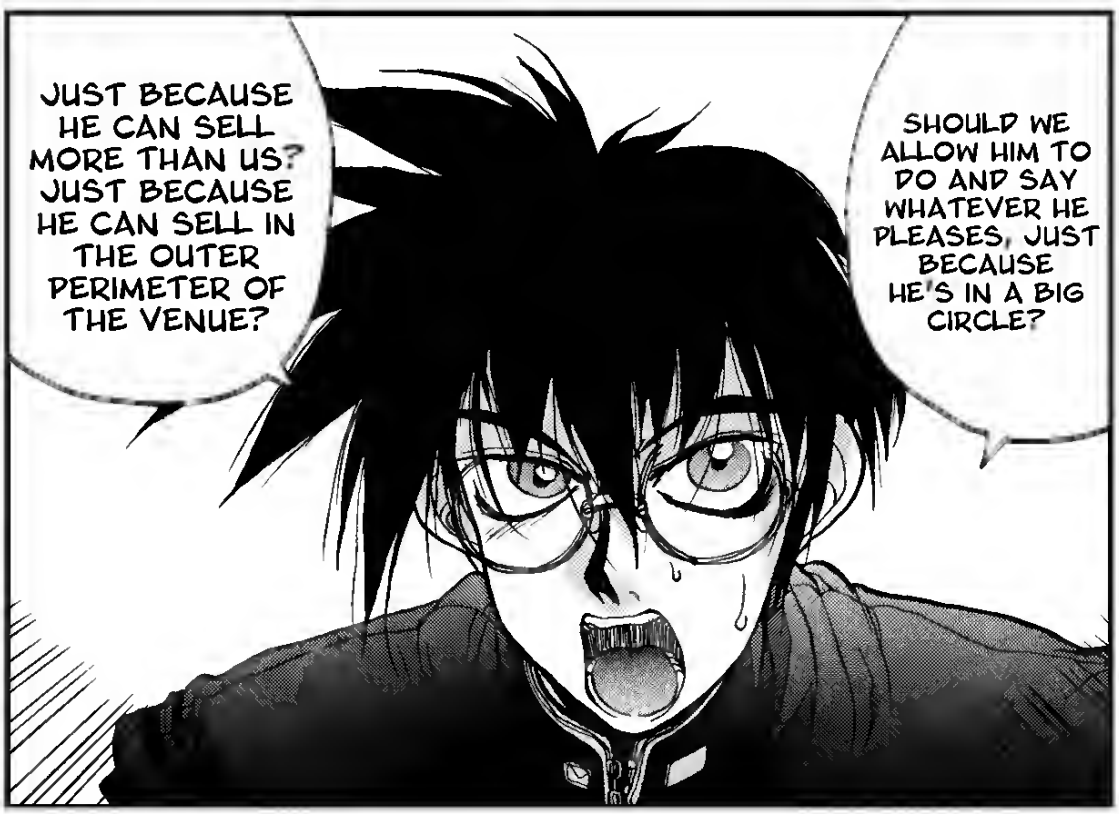

GRIT
WHAT DID YOU SAY?


JUST BECAUSE HE CAN SELL MORE THAN US? JUST BECAUSE HE CAN SELL IN THE OUTER PERIMETER OF THE VENUE?
SHOULD WE ALLOW HIM TO DO AND SAY WHATEVER HE PLEASES, JUST BECAUSE HE'S IN A BIG CIRCLE?

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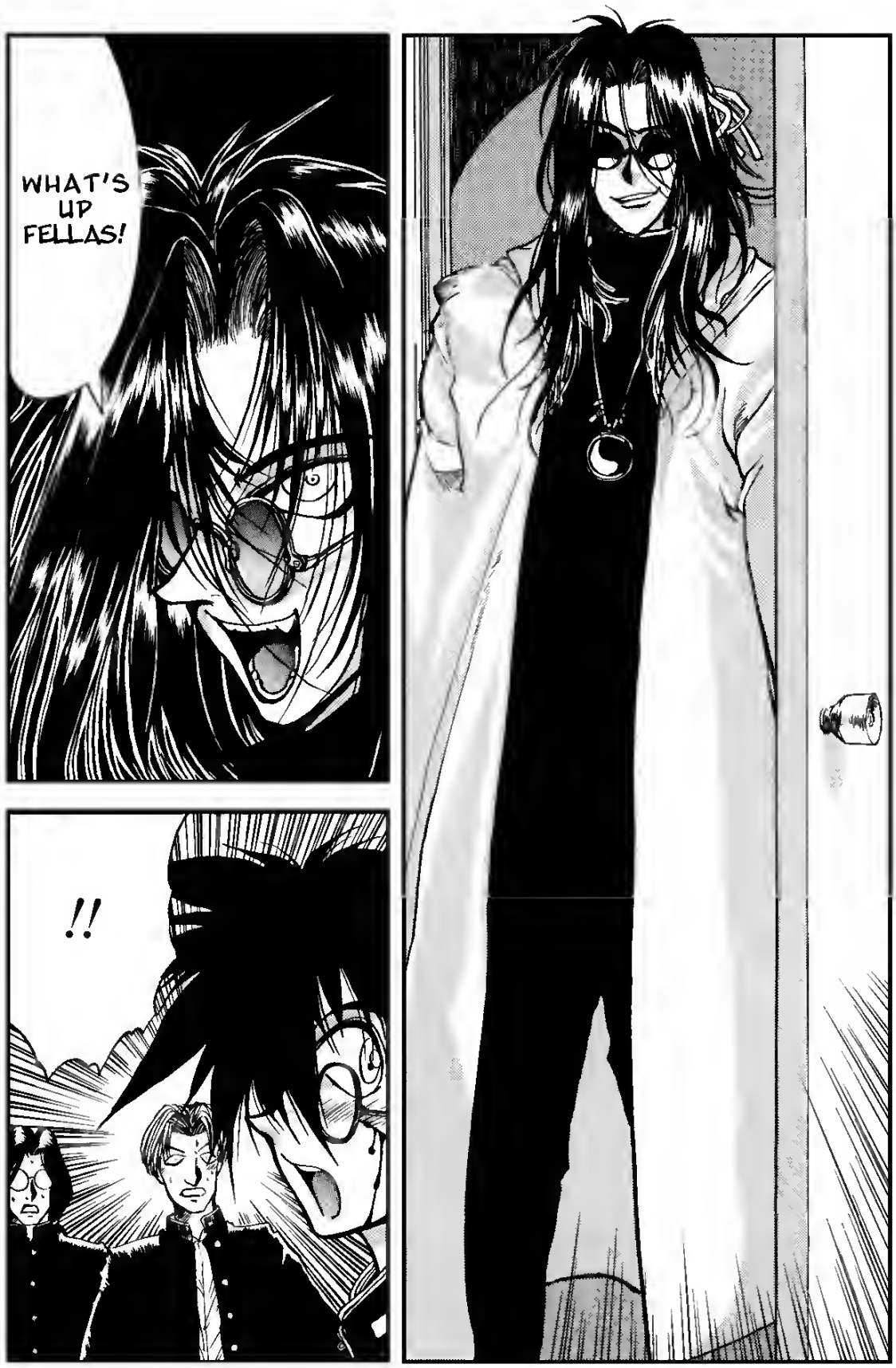
I WAS JUST RESPONDING TO THE AWFUL THINGS HE SAID TO ME.
IN HIS ARROGANCE, HE HURLED INSULT AT ME WITHOUT REASON.
IT'S AS IF WE WERE BEGGARS TO HIM AND HE HAD LET US HELP GRUDGINGLY.
HE LOOKED DOWN ON US, EVEN THOUGH WE WERE HELPING HIM.
SNOOP
!
TWHACK
...WHAT?

YOU'VE PUT ME IN SUCH A TERRIBLE POSITION. WHAT WILL YOU DO IF HE STOPS CALLING ME...
...FOR HIS FUTURE DOUJINSHI PROJECTS!
WHAT ABOUT ME, HUH?
I AM WORKING AS SHIBATA'S MAIN WRITER, YOU KNOW.
GRT!
HOW DO YOU THINK WE CAN COVER OUR CLUB'S EXPENSES WITHOUT SELLING DOUJINSHI!
DAMN RIGHT! HE MIGHT ALSO REFUSE OUR MANGA CLUB'S PUBLICATIONS IN THE FUTURE BECAUSE OF YOU!
HOW ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE RESPONSI-BILITY FOR ALL OF THIS!?
SKID


WHAT'S UP FELLAS!
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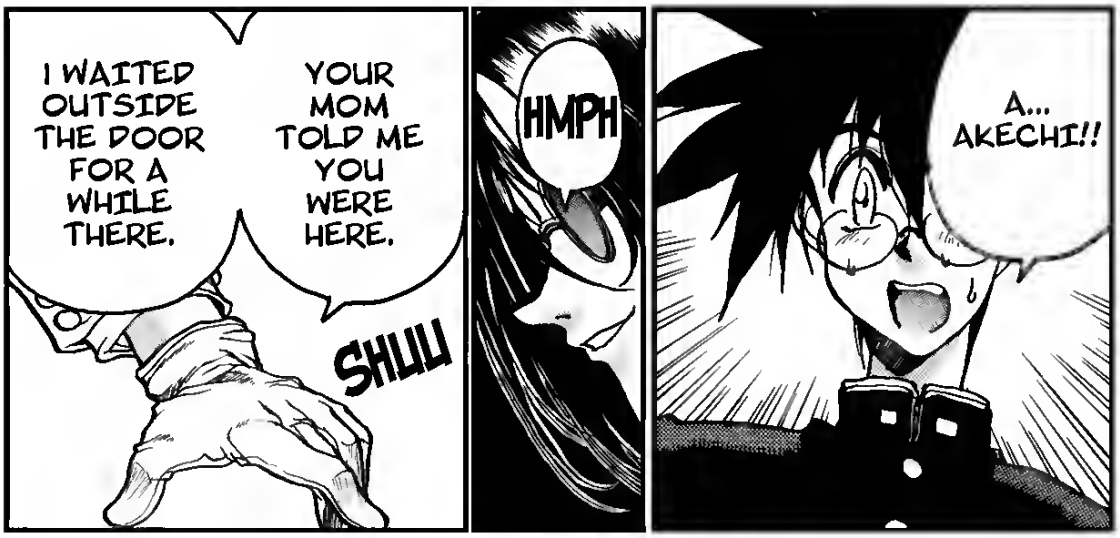
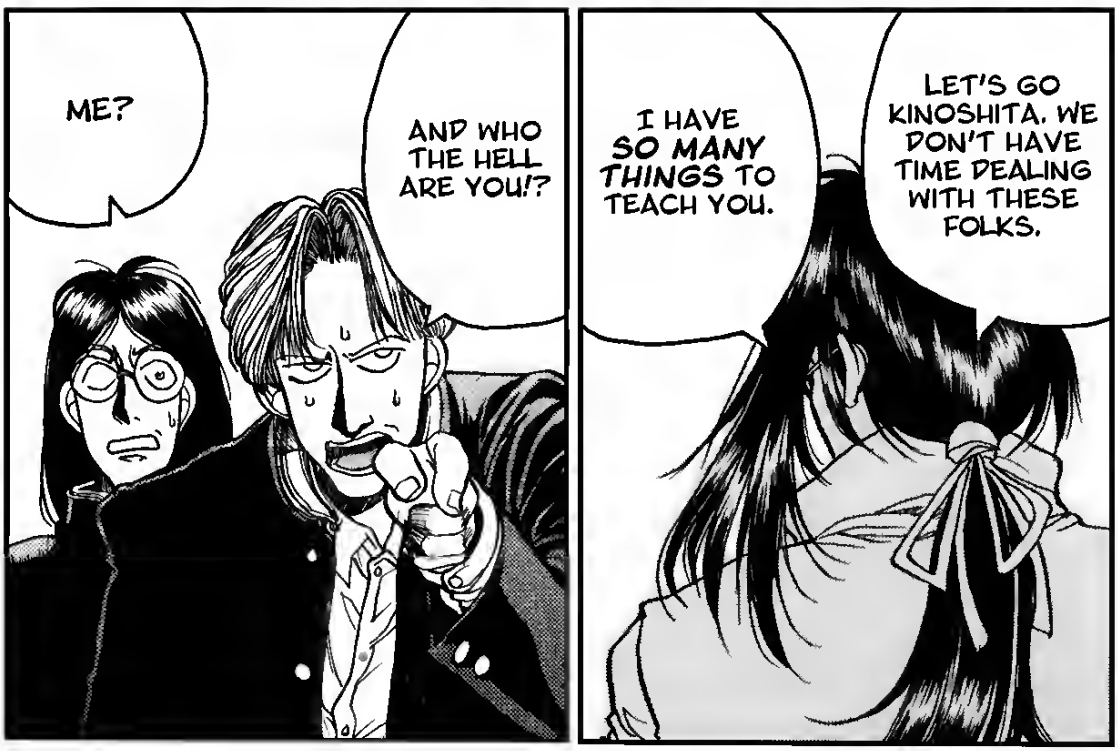
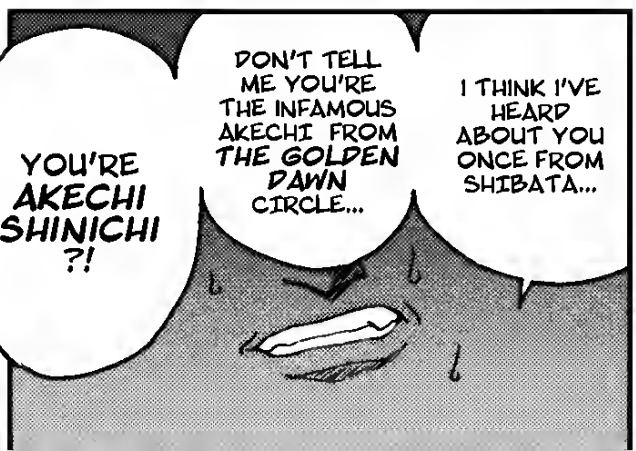


A BIG, BAD EVIL ENTITY HARASSING SOME POOR KID.
ALL I COULD HEAR WAS A STORY ALMOST LIKE A PUBLIC TRIAL FOR WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN AN OBVIOUS AND EASY OUTCOME.



I'M NOTHING BUT A..
DOÜJIN MAVERICK!

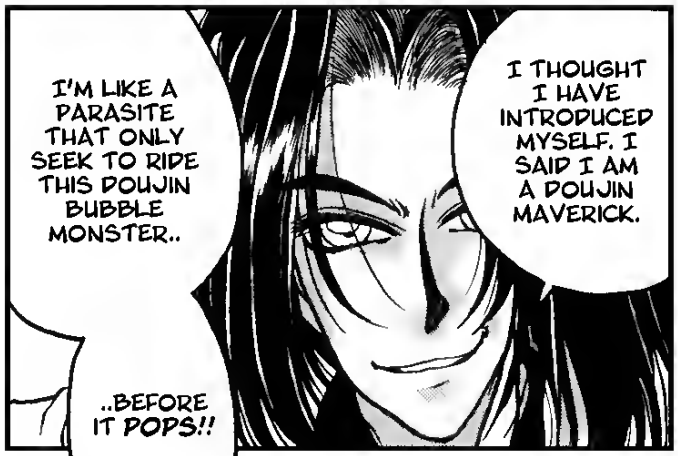
HE JUST SAID YOUR NAME IS AKECHI, RIGHT?
YES, I AM AKECHI.


I THINK I'VE HEARD ABOUT YOU ONCE FROM SHIBATA...
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE THE INFAMOUS AKECHI FROM THE GOLDEN DAWN CIRCLE...
YOU'RE AKECHI SHINICHI ?!

.....
I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
ANYWAY, I'M GONNA BORROW KINOSHITA FROM YOU KIDS.
COME BACK HERE AND SIT DOWN!! KINOSHITA!!
WAIT! WE ARE NOT FINISHED YET WITH OUR TALK!
HEH
THERE'S NO MISTAKING HIM! HE IS THE AKECHI SHINICHI!
DON'T GO! STAY AWAY FROM HIM!
OR ELSE YOU'LL FACE THE SAME FATE AS HIM!

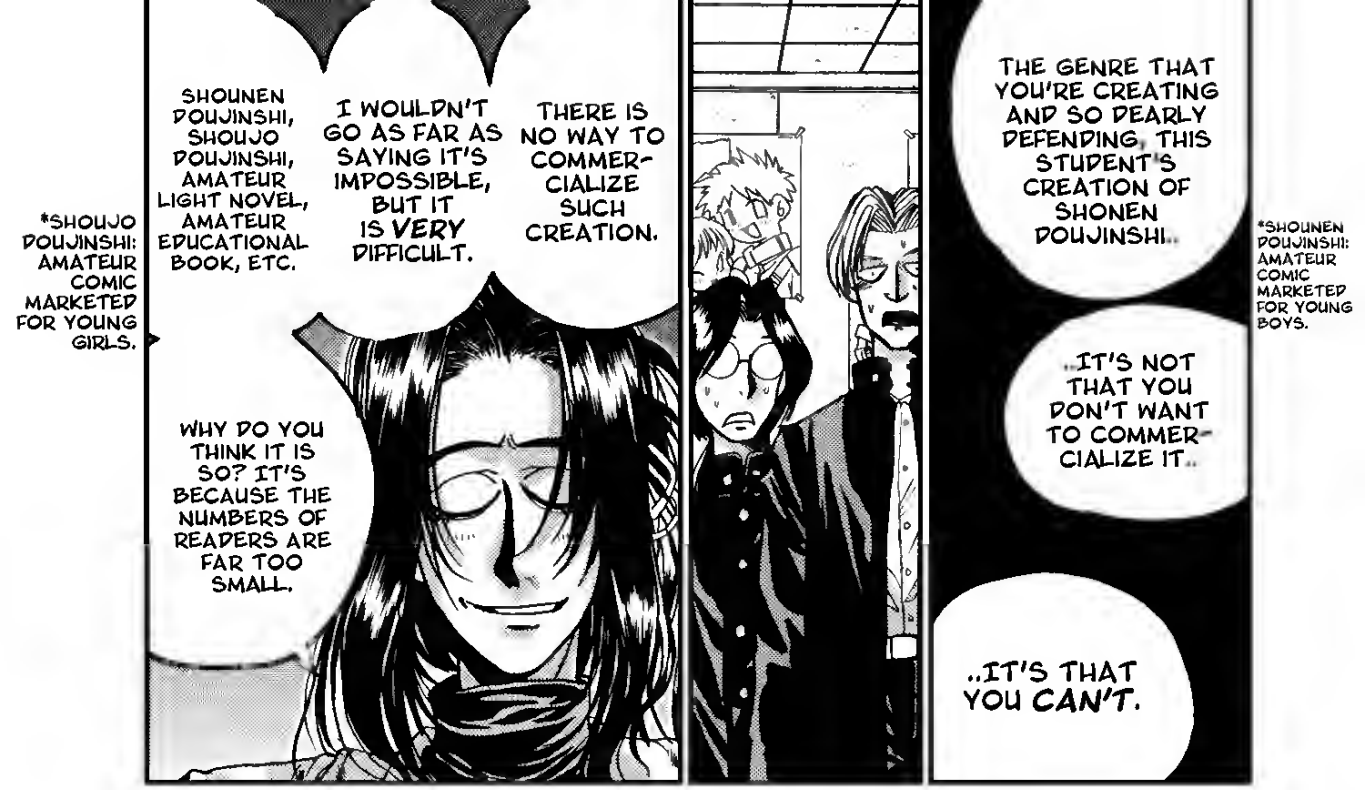
HE'S THE GUY THAT WOULD DO EVEN THE DIRTIEST UNDERHANDED DOUJIN BUSINESS FOR MONEY!
HE'S THE BIGGEST CROOK IN OUR FIELD!!
POINT
THIS AKECHI SHINICHI GUY...

KU HA HA HA HA HAH !!
KU KU KU


I'M LIKE A PARASITE THAT ONLY SEEK TO RIDE THIS DOUJIN BUBBLE MONSTER..
I THOUGHT I HAVE INTRODUCED MYSELF. I SAID I AM A DOUJIN MAVERICK.
..BEFORE IT POPS!!

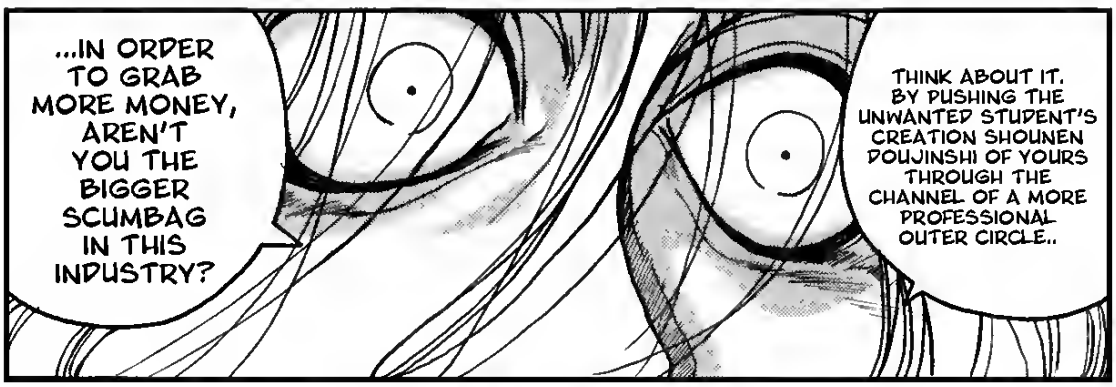
.....
OH, THAT'S SO RUDE OF YOU.
DID YOU JUST CALLED ME A SLIMEBAG RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME?
PTI
IMITATING THOSE THAT ARE CURRENTLY POPULAR! EVERYTHING FOR THE SAKE OF SALES NUMBER.
FOR THE SAKE OF SALES, HE WOULD CHANGE HIS ART STYLE AND DIRECTION INTO ANYTHING!
GRT
HE'S THE SLIMEBAG OF THE DOUJIN WORLD.
..COMIC MARKET AND THE DOUJIN WORLD SLOWLY TURNED INTO NOTHING MORE THAN A HEAVILY COMMERCIALISTIC SPHERE!!
BECAUSE OF SCUMBAGS LIKE YOU, WHO PRIORITIZE SALES OVER EVERYTHING ELSE..
YOU SHAMELESS DIMWIT WHO CAN'T DRAW ANYTHING BUT PORN!!
SLAM!

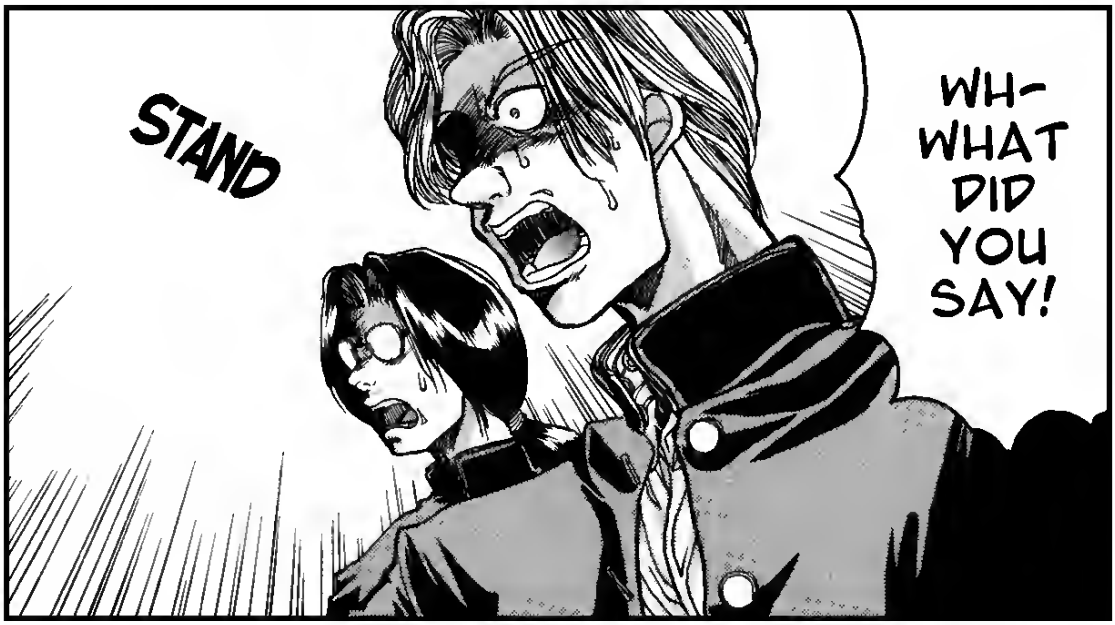
COMMER-CIALIZATION, YOU SAY.
I WAS WONDERING WHAT UTTER NONSENSE WOULD COME OUT NEXT FROM THAT MOUTH OF YOURS.
HAHA HAHA HAH!
KUHAHA HAHAH!
EVEN YOU YOURSELF SAID EARLIER THAT YOU WERE SELLING TO COVER CLUB EXPENSES, AND THAT YOU WERE EARNING AS A WRITER ON THE SIDE.
SO IT'S OKAY TO SELL OUT AS LONG AS IT'S NOT PORN? IS THAT IT?
!!
ARE YOU SAYING NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO SELL OR DO ANY COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION IN THAT SPACE?
OKAY THEN, LET ME HEAR ABOUT THIS PERFECT COMIC MARKET OF YOURS THAT WILL ONLY SERVE THE BEST INTEREST OF CREATORS.
IS THAT WHAT YOU WANTED FROM COMIC MARKET?
SRT

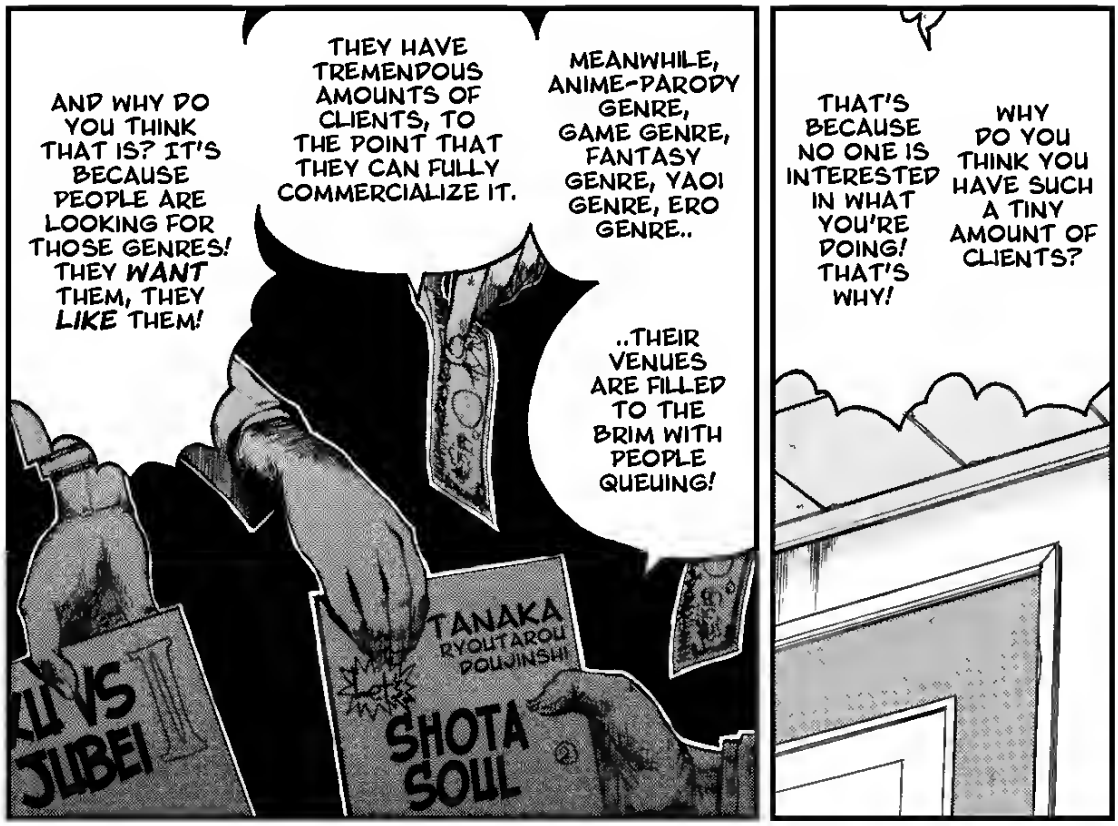

SHOUNEN DOUJINSHI, SHOUJO DOUJINSHI, AMATEUR LIGHT NOVEL, AMATEUR EDUCATIONAL BOOK, ETC.
I WOULDN'T GO AS FAR AS SAYING IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, BUT IT IS VERY DIFFICULT.
THERE IS NO WAY TO COMMERCIALIZE SUCH CREATION.
WHY DO YOU THINK IT IS SO? IT'S BECAUSE THE NUMBERS OF READERS ARE FAR TOO SMALL.
THE GENRE THAT YOU'RE CREATING AND SO DEARLY DEFENDING, THIS STUDENT'S CREATION OF SHONEN DOUJINSHI..
..IT'S NOT THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO COMMERCIALIZE IT..
..IT'S THAT YOU CAN'T.

*SHOUJO DOUJINSHI: AMATEUR COMIC MARKETED FOR YOUNG GIRLS.

*SHOUNEN DOUJINSHI: AMATEUR COMIC MARKETED FOR YOUNG BOYS.


...IN ORDER TO GRAB MORE MONEY, AREN'T YOU THE BIGGER SCUMBAG IN THIS INDUSTRY?
THINK ABOUT IT. BY PUSHING THE UNWANTED STUDENT'S CREATION SHOUNEN DOUJINSHI OF YOURS THROUGH THE CHANNEL OF A MORE PROFESSIONAL OUTER CIRCLE..




WHY DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE SUCH A TINY AMOUNT OF CLIENTS?
THAT'S BECAUSE NO ONE IS INTERESTED IN WHAT YOU'RE DOING! THAT'S WHY!
MEANWHILE, ANIME-PARODY GENRE, GAME GENRE, FANTASY GENRE, YAOI GENRE, ERO GENRE..
THEY HAVE TREMENDOUS AMOUNTS OF CLIENTS, TO THE POINT THAT THEY CAN FULLY COMMERCIALIZE IT.
AND WHY DO YOU THINK THAT IS? IT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR THOSE GENRES! THEY WANT THEM, THEY LIKE THEM!
..THEIR VENUES ARE FILLED TO THE BRIM WITH PEOPLE QUEUING!
TANAKA RYOUTAROU DOUJINSHI
SHOTA SOUL
JUBEI

SUPPLYING AS MANY COMICS AS THE DEMAND OF THOSE WHO WANT TO READ THEM.
THIS IS THE ONE AND ONLY THING THAT IS TRUE OF COMICS SINCE ITS INCEPTION!
AND THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING WRONG WITH IT!

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WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS LIKE A GIGANTIC CIRLE-JERK OF SELF-PUBLISHING AMATEURS.
YOU'RE MAKING BOOKS THAT NO ONE ELSE BUT YOUR OWN INNER GROUP READS, AND THEN PRAISING THEM AMONGST YOURSELVES, AND YOU HUDDLE TOGETHER AND CRY OVER HOW NO ONE APPRECIATES THEM.
IF YOU ASK ME, I'D SAY HONESTLY THAT YOU GUYS ARE WAY BIGGER SLIMEBAGS THAN I AM.
SHUDDER
DON'T YOU DARE COMPARE ME TO YOUR ADOLESCENT PUPPY-LOVE AND ARROGANT VIEW OF SHOUNEN DOUJINSHI AND ITS SELF-ISOLATED AUTHORS!
GRT
WHENEVER YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTHS IT'S ALWAYS SOME CRITICISM OF THE OTHER SIDE! ALL ABOUT YOUR JEALOUSY OF THE OTHER SIDE! YES, I'VE SAID IT. YOU ARE JEALOUS, THAT IS WHAT IT IS! YOU SPEAK AS IF YOU KNOW EVERYTHING BUT EVERYTIME YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTHS, YOU REPEAT THE SAME POINT OVER AND OVER AGAIN!
I'M NOT GONNA SIT HERE AND ALLOW YOU TO TURN KINOSHITA INTO THE SAME SHIT AS YOU LOT!
ACCORDING TO YOU, I AM THE BAD GUY HERE! BUT YOU SEE, EVEN A BAD GUY LIKE ME STILL WON'T DO THE THINGS THAT YOU SLIMEBAGS DO.

OR, YOU CAN STAY ALIVE IN THIS WORLD BY BROWN NOSING AND FOLLOWING THE WHIM OF THICK-HEADED OLD FARTS. WHICH ONE WILL YOU CHOOSE?
SO, YOU CAN CHOOSE TO STAY ALIVE BY DOING WHAT I DO. I CAN TELL YOU THE GOOD AND THE BAD OF THIS WORLD. IT'S MY DUTY TO GUIDE YOU.

IT'S OBVIOUS.
.....

THWAK
I WILL BE..
..A DOUJIN MAVERICK!

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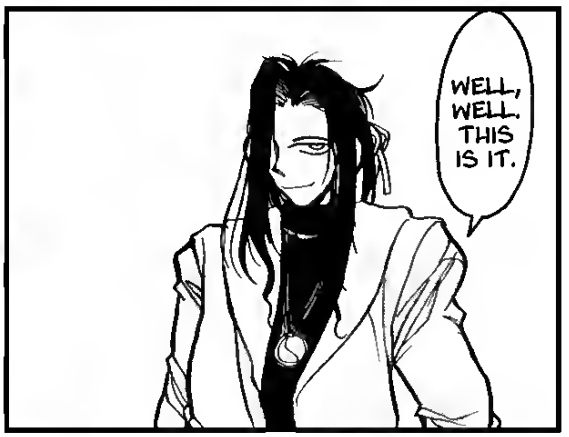
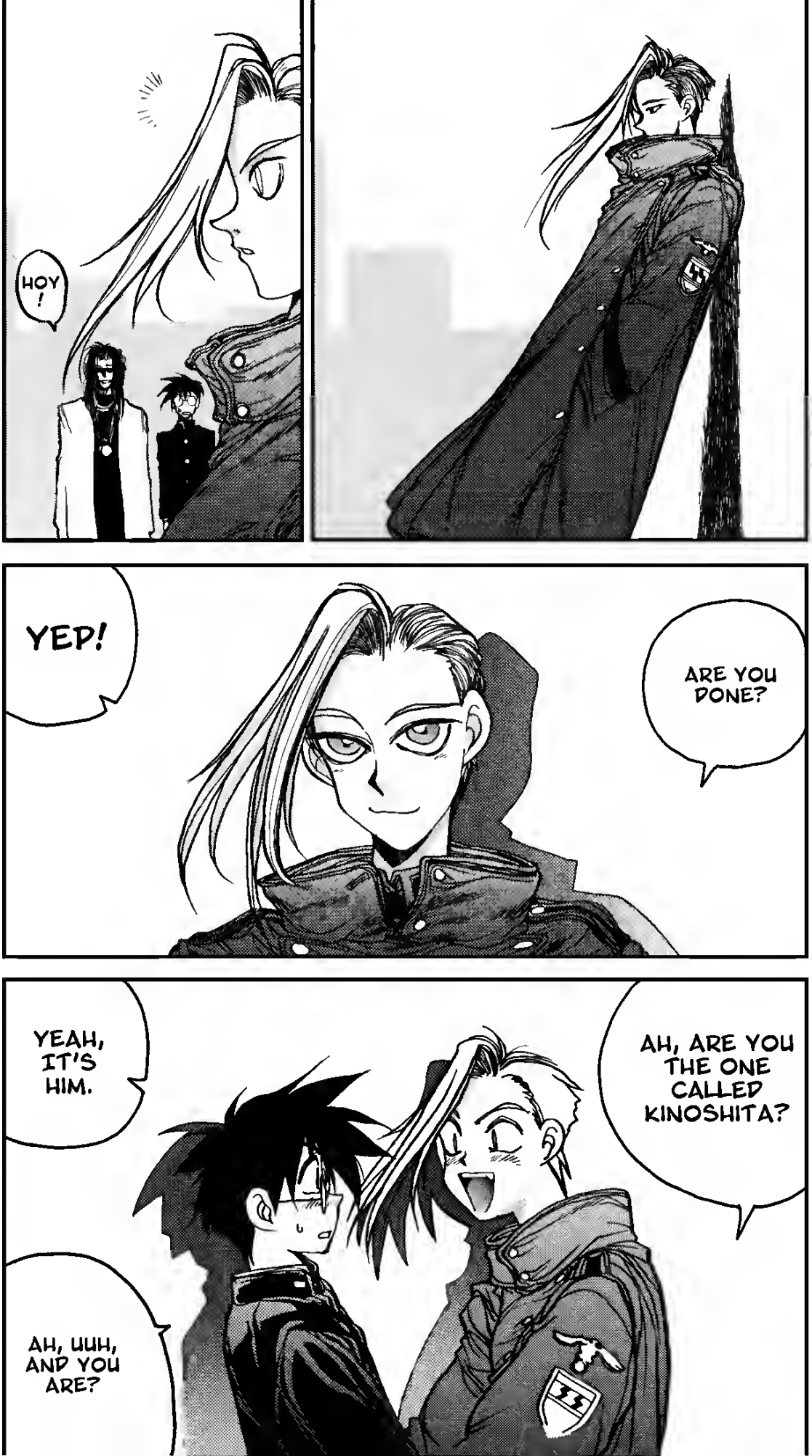
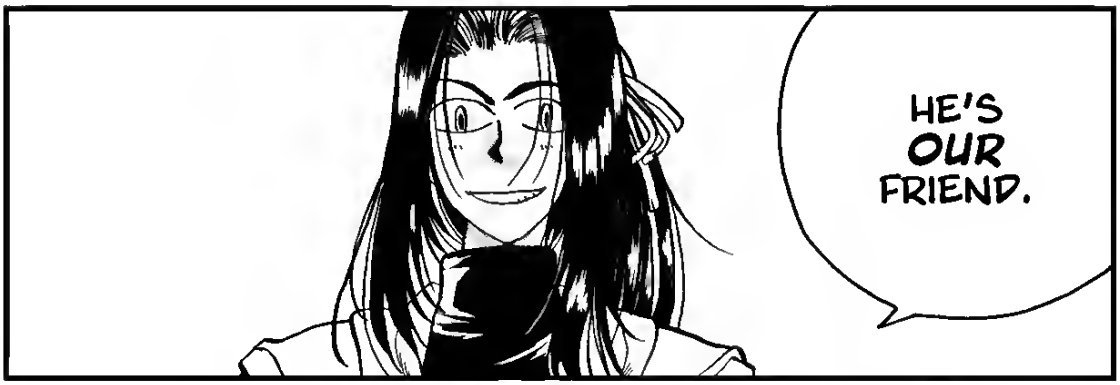
I DID NOT EXPECT YOU TO BE THIS STUPID AND UNREASON-ABLE!
YOU'RE GONNA REGRET THIS, KINOSHITA! I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT!
GET THE HELL OUT OF MY SIGHT NOW!




HOY!
YEP!
ARE YOU DONE?
YEAH, IT'S HIM.
AH, ARE YOU THE ONE CALLED KINOSHITA?
AH, UUH, AND YOU ARE?



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The Great Doujin Saga

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Hey, Saphire here! It is finally time for **GDS** *chapter two! Well, things escalated rather quickly with Akechi, isn't it. It has only been chapter two and he's already verbally smacking pretty much all of us in the manga and anime otaku culture. I'm sure we all can relate to what he said, our general disdain of fan service in anime for example, even though, of course, they increase over time because people ask for more and more of them.*

There are few new terms introduced in this chapter, all related to the doujin world. ***Shounen*** *refers to young boys.* ***Shoujo*** *refers to young girls.* ***Ero*** *is a short form of eroticism and refers to porn.* ***Shouta*** *refers to porn involving an underaged boy.* ***Yaoi*** *refers to porn involving gay relationships.*

There is also an easter egg hidden in this chapter, where the name ***Tanaka Ryoutarou*** *is mentioned in one of the background picture. He is Hirano's friend who published UFO 2000 along with Hirano and Yamada Shuutarou. We have them scanlated if you want to check them out in our website!*

See you again in the next GDS chapter!

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